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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response be extended five months through and including August 5, 2008, the fees for which have been paid at the time this Election was filed.

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated February 5, 2008 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 30-40) and SEQ ID NO: 1, without traverse.

Prior to examination, Applicants respectfully request that the subject application be amended as follows: